

## BRIDGE ACROSS THE SNAKE RIVER, AT NOME CITY, ALASKA.

FEBRUARY 3, 1904.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. CUSHMAN, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

### REPORT.

[To accompany S. 3341.]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (S. 3341) authorizing the city of Nome, a municipal corporation organized and existing under chapter 21, title 3, of an act of Congress approved June 6, 1900, entitled "An act making further provision for a civil government for Alaska, and for other purposes," to construct a free bridge across the Snake River at Nome city, in the Territory of Alaska, having considered the same, report it without amendment, and recommend its passage.

This bill has been considered by the Senate Committee on Commerce and was on January 18, 1904, favorably reported by said Senate Committee, Senate Report No. 333, Fifty-eighth Congress, second session. This bill (S. 3341) passed the Senate on January 25, 1904. Your committee hereby adopt as the report of this committee the report of the Senate Committee on Commerce on this same bill.

An examination of that report shows that a bill substantially similar to this present bill has heretofore received the favorable recommendation of the War Department. The Senate report on this bill, which is hereby adopted as the report of this committee, is as follows:

[Senate Report No. 333, Fifty-eighth Congress, second session.]

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A similar bill passed the Senate in the last session and was reported to the House too late to receive consideration. The present bill differs from the former only in that it contains the usual provision in regard to post-roads, which was omitted in the former bill, and also in providing for commencement and completion within two and five years, respectively, instead of one and three, as in the former bill. This enlargement of time it believed to be reasonable in view of the locality.

The former bill had the approval War Department.

